



DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMING IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

USAID's bilateral development programming in the Central African Republic (CAR) mitigates inter-communal conflict, builds communities' resilience in the face of persistent insecurity and economic hardship, and strengthens wildlife conservation to promote a foundation for peace and stability. Activities are managed by USAID's Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). USAID/DRC also supports regional health programming for COVID-19, Polio, and Ebola in CAR.

STRENGTHENING HUMAN RIGHTS

FREEDOM HOUSE INTERNATIONAL

July 2023 – July 2028; \$10 million

USAID's funding seeks to empower the CAR population to prevent and respond to human rights violations; strengthen democratic institutions with the potential to advance human rights over the long term; counter conflict-provoking misinformation and rumors with accurate and professional journalism; and rapidly adapt to changing threats to human rights, including from armed groups and foreign actors.

E MA TERE (LIVING TOGETHER) PEACEBUILDING

Invisible Children

June 2021 – June 2024; \$3.9 million

USAID empowers CAR youth peacebuilders in the Mbomou region of southeastern CAR. Responding to increasing armed groups, interreligious, and other intercommunal violence, the activity reinforces and leverages existing peacebuilding efforts. In this activity, young peacebuilders implement peace education initiatives, and take part in Village Savings and Loans Associations, as well as vocational training. These initiatives seek to peacefully counteract local hate speech and armed group activity, contributing to increased social cohesion between communal groups.

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GARAMBA – CHINKO PROTECTED AREAS ACTIVITY

African Parks Network

October 2016 – September 2024; \$16.9 million (CAR and DRC)

USAID alleviates threats to biodiversity in Chinko Wildlife Reserve in southeastern CAR, as well as in Garamba National Park in northeastern DRC, by strengthening wildlife law enforcement. The activity builds capacity for protected area management and engages local communities to build support for the protected areas.

FOREST RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY

U.S. Forest Service

June 2015 - May 2025; \$32,155,541 (DRC, ROC, CAR, Gabon, and Cameroon)

USAID mitigates threats to biodiversity by strengthening sustainable forest management, fire management, and land-use planning. The activity supports regional and national policy harmonization, national forest inventory, and land-use planning linked to the national strategy and action plan on REDD+ (Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation).

COVID-19 RESPONSE

UNICEF

August 2021 – September 2024; \$7.15 million

USAID funding to UNICEF supports COVID-19 coordination efforts as well as infection control and prevention activities at health facilities, improves demand for vaccination, and strengthens the cold chain logistics system. COVID-19 funds will also be leveraged to strengthen CAR's overall routine immunization program. The USG has also donated almost 1 million doses of Johnson & Johnson (J&J) vaccines, constituting a significant portion of CAR's national COVID-19 vaccine supply.

ACCELERATION OF INTEGRATED MATERNAL, NEWBORN AND CHILD HEALTH AT HEALTH FACILITY AND COMMUNITY LEVELS

UNICEF

July 2021 – September 2024; \$9 million (estimate)

USAID's funding improves equitable access to quality and respectful facility- and community-based primary health care for mothers, newborns, and children; supports outreach to distant communities; and strengthens referral systems. Priority focus areas include quality of care, respectful maternity care, safe deliveries, small and sick newborn care, and integrated management of childhood illnesses through the public and private sectors.

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